ARRA Youth Employment Services Fall 2009/Winter 2010

Consortium:

Seattle Youth Employment Consortium

Name of Lead Agency:

City of Seattle/Human Services Department

Contact Person:

Kellie Nakano, Director, Seattle Youth Employment Program

Number to be served:

25 out-of-school youth, ages 18-24

Eligibility:

Participants will be WIA-eligible. Youth will consist of a mix of those (1) continuing a ARRA employment experience from this summer and

(2) newly enrolled youth.

Total Projected Cost:

\$100,000

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Personnel (1 FTE Counselor for 4 months) \$19,139 \$ 1,400 Staff Transportation (1 vehicle x 4 months x \$350/months) Youth Wages (30 hrs/wk x \$10/hr x 10 wks x 25 youth) \$71,961 \$ 7,500 Support Services (\$300 x 25 youth)

Summary of Projects:

Young adult participants will be placed in internships that include pre-apprenticeship with Seattle Parks and Recreation and Seattle Department of Transportation as well as positions in weatherization/conservation, technology and other growth sectors. Young adults will work with a supervisor/mentor to develop skills in areas such as conservation, home weatherization, metal fabrication, carpentry, small engine repair, electrical, urban forestry, traffic maintenance, digital media or computer software and hardware. For pre-apprenticeship positions, young adults will work three 10-hour shifts during the week to align their schedules with mentors.

To support participants' ability to translate this employment experience to more long-term employment, SYEP will provide a series of workshops that will enhance participants' work readiness and competitiveness for future employment, particularly within the City of Seattle. Workshops and trainings will take place once a week and will cover the following areas:

- Industrial First Aid and Safety
- 2. Workplace Expectation and Work-Readiness Training
- 3. Financial Literacy and Budgeting (including use of the self-sufficiency calculator)
- 4. Resume and Cover Letter writing
- Education and Certifications Requirements in the trades.
- 6. Introduction to Apprenticeship Programs
- 7. City of Seattle Application Process
- 8. Tour of City of Seattle Temporary Employment Services.
- Post-Secondary and Apprenticeship Planning